



Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

***Meeting Minute
October 10, 2007***

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00pm

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: John Nikias, Gene Propper, Joe Fiala, Jim Blouin, Chuck Metcalf and Valerie King.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

- Postponed until next meeting.

SENIOR CITIZEN UPDATE (with Dot O'Neil):

- The Seniors went to Dimitris in September. Twenty-two individuals participated in this outing. The total bill came to \$171.29 (for 20 individuals-2 people paid for their own meals). Dimitris will be sending the bill to the town for payment.
- Tomorrow the group will be taking a cruise on Lake Sunapee. They will be bringing their own lunches. 30 people (the minimum required) will be taking the cruise. The cost is \$15 per person.
- The October meetings will be moved to the 16th. See the Wearite 2007-2008 schedule for a schedule of other events planned for this year.

BUDGET UPDATE:

- Thirty four percent of the budget remains (~14,000). The fact that the Director's position (\$8,000/year) has remained unfilled has resulted in more funds available compared to past years. See Tom's e-mail for further details.
- Kathy has expressed her desire to have more workers during holidays.

CIP:

- Chuck and Joe will be attending the CIP meeting tomorrow at 6pm.
- Discussion took place regarding how much money to request for the Bolton project. It was decided that we should aim high and request \$730,000 (for Phase I and II).
- Discussion took place regarding bathrooms. It was decided that even if we decide not to put permanent bathroom facilities at Bolton (due to concerns of initial costs as well as the cost of cleaning and maintenance), we should run all the pipes and install the septic as it will be harder to do this after the fact.

CHASE PARK:

- October 13th and 14th are the last days the park will be open this year.
- Chuck arrange for the purchase of 4 gallons of antifreeze and winterize the pipes on Sunday.
- All members are asked to help move picnic tables on Sunday at 4pm.

- Knox Box was found unlocked. Chuck has notified Fred of this concern. Six people need to be notified in the event that the park locks or combinations are changed. They are: Town Administrator, Fire Chief, Secretary for the Fire Department, Police Chief, Deputy Chief and the Secretary for the Police Department.

BOLTON FIELD:

- Bolton irrigation problem (sprinklers going on at the wrong time) appears to be corrected. The fields will continue to be irrigated until mid-November (end of football and soccer seasons). At this time, Jim will also have the fields “winterized”
- Vandalism of the JSGFA concession trailer occurred on Monday afternoon. JSGFA has reported the vandalism to the police. The damage included broken windows and damage to the door of the trailer.
- Portable lights have been brought to Bolton for practices. They were placed as not to interfere with the sprinkler heads.
- Winterizing of the soccer field should include aerating (the football field was done last year and the baseball field looks good, but the grass on the soccer field is struggling). Jim will get a quote from Bruce (Cutting Blade) for the cost of aerating the soccer field. Fertilizing of the fields is expected to cost approximately \$1000 (including labor).
- The debris around the storage shed at Bolton has not been cleaned up. Chuck will contact Bruce McDonald (President, Weare Athletic Club).
- Concern expressed regarding the 4-wheelers crossing the Bolton property line. The abutters have posted “no trespassing signs” on town property. Chuck will take a look at the placement of the signs before taking any action.

NEW BUSINESS:

- PARC will be meeting only once a month (2nd Tuesday) beginning in October.
- PARC will not host a Halloween party this year. PARC does not have a Director to take on this task and there isn't enough time to organize volunteers.
- The users of the Skateboard Park are not picking up after themselves. Trash and even an old bike litter the area. Joe will stop by on a night that the kids are there and let them know that they need to clean up and keep the area clean or PARC may be forced to disassemble the equipment. Joe also discussed the difficulties he's had in obtaining a non-profit willing to sponsor a Skate Park fundraiser.
- The problem of poison ivy at Ineson was briefly mentioned. Should we spray? No decision made in this regard.
- The question of who is responsible for mowing the sloped area between the school and the gazebo area was discussed. Chuck will contact the school to discuss this issue and determine whether PARC or the school will be responsible for the mowing/care of this area.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:10